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(SUBJECT.)

Mining lease - Red oxide and ochre - (Bellary)
Bellary Taluk - Haraganadona Kgn - S. No. 311 -
Obalapatharama Reddi + M.R.Ry. Y - Panchayat

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

0 JUL 1937 From

A.G. Blake Esq., I.C.S.,
Collector of Bellary.

To

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue,
Madras.

Sir,

Ref. C. M.L.A. 2/37 Dated 8-7-1937.

Mining lease- Red Oxide and ochre- Bellary Taluk- Haraganadona village- S.No. 311- full field- application of M.R.Ry. Y. Dasarathrama Reddi.

I enclose herein copies of the applications dated 11th December 1935 and 16th September 1936 received from M.R.Ry. Y. Dasaratharama Reddi of Madras for the grant of a mining lease for thirty years, together with a plan of the area applied for. The area of the plot (S.No. 311, full field) is 472 acres and 32 cents.

2. The applicant is the holder of a prospecting licence for 85 acres in the above area. The period of the licence expired in July 1936 but was further extended pending the grant of a mining lease. There is no objection to the grant of the lease applied for.

3. A duplicate copy of the application was sent to the Director of Industries, Madras, on 6th April 1936. The applicant has deposited Rs 500 as security and Rs 50 towards Solicitor's fees. He holds a certificate of approval (Vide Page 696 of Part II of the Fort St.George Gazette dated 8th June 1937).

4. The lease may be granted subject to the payment at the following rates:-

a) Dead rent at a minimum rate of one Rupee per acre.

(b) Royalty at 2½% on the sale value of the ore at the Pit's mout

(c) Surface rent at 4 annas per acre.

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For Collector.

A.S.N./9-7A.

Copy of application dated 11th December 1935.

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1. The name, Father's name, residence and profession of the applicant if he is an individual or if the applicant is a company syndicate, private firm or partnership, its name and nature and place of business and if the place of business is outside of India, the name and residence of member or duly authorised Agent, Resident in India.

Y. Dasaratharama Reddi, Land holder and Mica Miner, son of Subba Reddy, 42 Sundararajaperumal Koil street, Perambur Post, Madras.

2. Specification of mineral or minerals for which the applicant desires to mine.

Red Oxide and Red Ochre.

3. A description illustrated by a map or plan showing as accurately as possible the situation, boundaries and area of the land with respect to which the lease/ license is required.

A portion of S.No. 311(Area 85-0acres of Haraganadona village,(Bellary taluk) bounded on the North by S.No. 311 on the South by S.No. 311 on the East by S.No. 311 on the west by S.No. 311- sketches enclosed in duplicate.

4. A statement showing all areas within the jurisdiction of the local Government already held by the applicant or by any person joint in interest, with him in prospecting or mining rights.

Holding mining leases in Nellore, and Anantapur districts. Prospecting licenses over S.Nos. 177, 178, 180, 181 etc area 103-94 acres in Thalupur village and another prospecting license over S.No. 466 in Turimula village area 55-0 acres Nellore District. Mining lease over S.No. 331 area 63-22 acres in Surepalli village(Anantapur district) and prospecting licence over S.No. 574 area 22-12 acres in Muchukota village in Anantapur district.

5. The period for which the lease is required.

Lease required for 30 thirty years.

6. Whether the application is for a fresh concession or for a renewal of a concession previously granted.

Renewal. This plot has been hitherto worked by me under prospecting licence and now I apply for mining lease.

7. The means by which the mineral is to be raised by hand labour or mechanical or electric power.

Hand labour.

8. Approximate estimate of the quantity of mineral expected to be raised during first year.

2000 tons.

9. In what manufacture is the mineral to be utilized.

(a) in manufacture in India and if so in connection with what industries or

(b) by export to foreign countries in the latter case to what countries will the mineral be exported.

Manufacture in

10. If the applicat intends to supeervise the work what is his previous experience of Mining/Prospecting if he intends to appoint a Manager, who is he, what is his previous experience.

The applicant has got 7 years experience in mining. He will manage for the present and in future he will appoint a manager and report for your information.

11. If the application is for a prospecting license or mining lease- whether a certificate of approval by Government has been filled.

For mining lease- Certificate of approval renewed by the District Collector Nellore for 1935 in possession.

(A copy of the certificate of approval renewed for 1936 by the District Collector Nellore is herewith sent)

True Copy.

For Collector.

A.S.N./9-7A.

Copy of the application dated 16th September 1936.

Mining lease- Red-oxide and Ochre- Bellary Taluk- Haraganadona village- S.No. 311.

Also M.L.A. 2 of 35 dated 8-4-36.

Application of Y. Dasaratharama Reddy, 42, Sundararaja Perumal Koil street, Perambur, Madras, by his recognised agent A.P. Ramaiah, Haraganadona, Bellary taluk.

In M.L.A. 2/35 dated 8-4-36, I am granted lease in S.No. 31 of Haraganadona village covering an area of 85 acres which is enclosed in red lines in the plan attached hereton. The whole S.No. 311 of the said village is 472 and odd acres and what is leased to me now is the central portion leaving out large areas to the North and South. I learn that others are applying for lease of the portions north and south of the area leased to me. I submit that there is no red-oxide in those areas, but if those areas are leased out to others it will be setting up disputes between me and the would be lessees over the areas covered by licenses held by both. It would be almost impossible for each party to know whether the one encroaches upon the other's area, since the areas leased are large and incapable of demarcation. Hence disputes may arise. I am prepared to take the whole area on lease and I am already holding a license for which I have paid a deposi which will count as deposit for the new area too. I will pay thetaxes etc payable for leasing the whole area covered by S.No. 311 at the proper time.

I therefore pray hat I may be granted the Mining lease for the remaining area of S.No. 311 of the said village.

True Copy.

For Collector.

A.S.N./9-7A.

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Mining lease - red oxide and ochre (Bellary) Bellary Tal - Haraganadona Vge - S. No. 311. Dasarathrama Reddi, M.R.Ry Y- Application.

Read: —

From the Collr. of Bellary Ref. c. M.L.A- 2/37 dy 8.7.37 — Q

Ref. I. No. 2272/37-1 dy 23-7.3)

The attention of the Collr is invited to the petition dated 12.7.37 from the proprietor of the East India China Clay Company alleging all sorts of irregularities against M.R.Ry. Y. Dasarathrama Reddi in regard to the mining concession already leased by the Govt and he is requested to report whether the lease referred to in the letter read above should be granted now or held up pending his disposal of the petition

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In reply, please quote number, date and short title.*

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

Received *Registered* 2516 2272/37

From (Name) J.W. Pritchard Esq., I.C.S.,

(Designation) Collector

Post Box ____, (Station) Bellary

Telegraphic Address ____

BOARD OF REVENUE
21 SEP 1937
MADRAS

To

The Secretary to the Board of Revenue,

Madras.

M L A *No.* 2/35, *dated* 17th Septr. 1937.

Sir,

ENCLOSURES ____

SPARE COPIES ____ 99 Cfi.

Mining - Red Oxide - Bellary taluk - Haragandona village - S.No. 311 - Application for a mining lease - allegations against Mr. Y.D. Reddi of Nellore - report submitted.

Ref: Board's Ref. 2272/37 dated 23rd July 1937.

Mr. Y. Dasarathi Rama Reddi of Nellore was granted a prospecting license for Red Oxide and Red Ochre in 85 acres of the above area in this office P.L.A. D.Dis. 5 of 1934 dated 31-7-1935 and he has been carrying on operations since then through his agent. He has since applied for a mining lease of the full extent of S.No. 311 of Haraganadona (Vide M.L.A. 2/35 submitted with this office Ref.C.4490/37, dated 26th August 1937.

The allegations of the East India Clay Company are four in number, (1) that the licensee remains in Nellore though his agent, one Ramayya Naidu manages the business on the spot, (2) that the licensee's signature is being forged in communications sent to this office, (3) that large quantities of Red Oxide is being quarried and sold, (4) that he has been quarrying "Red Oxide" on licenses obtained from the Tahsildar for "Red Earth " and thereby defrauding Government.

It is true that the licensee seldom comes to Bellary and that his agent, Mr. Ramayya Naidu manages the business

on behalf of the licensee. It is the agent that remains on the spot, and receives and answers communications. It is not possible for the licensees in most cases to attend to the business themselves Though Mr. Ramiah is an agent of the licensee, he does not hold any power of attorney from him. As regards the 2nd allegation that the licensee's name is being forged there appears to be no basis for it as neither the licensee nor Mr. Ramayya Naidu ever concealed the fact that the latter was acting for the former. It is true that the licensee has been selling Red Oxide ore as he is perfectly at liberty to do so, since the Prospecting license was for Red Oxide. The suggestion that the licensee is obtaining licenses for Red earth from the Tahsildar and is selling Red Odixe is not true. The Tahsildar did not grant any licenses for Red Earth to the licensee. The accounts are maintained by the Village Munsiff of Haraganadona according to the form prescribed by the Tahsildar, Bellary. These accounts are signed by the Village Munsif every time the ore is removed from the area. They are checked by the Revenue Inspector whenever he visits the village. Besides these precautions, figures are obtained from the station master, Kudathini, Madras and Southern Maharatta Railway. The Board of Revenue is aware that the petitioner is a rival company to the licensee. As the allegations of the rival company appear to be quite baseless I do not think that the petition deserves any consideration.

For Collector.

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Date. Initials.

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SUBJECT:— Mining lease - Red oxide and ochre - (Bellary) - Bellary taluk - Haragonadona village - S. No. 311 - Basarathanna Reddi 4 R.Rs, Y - Application.

READ AGAIN ——————, ——————19——.

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READ *ALSO*:—

I. No. 3516/37 From the Collr. of Bellary. MLA No. 2/35, dated 17-9-1937. — Q

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Order / ~~Ms.~~ / Resolution / ~~Rout.~~ No. ——, dated Ref. I. No. 2272/37-2 dy 11-10-37 19——

The collr. is requested to report whether it is not necessary to exclude from S. No. 311 any portion as being required for a public purpose or otherwise, and whether it is advisable grant the entire area to one man and to submit a topo sketch of the field. He is also requested to report whether any special conditions have to be imposed and whether the applicant agrees to take Govt electric power for the working of the

mine, if necessary, when it becomes available in the vicinity

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In reply, please quote number, date and short title.*

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

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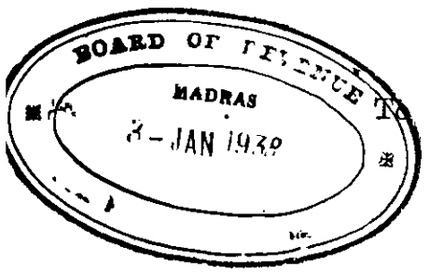
From (Name) T.C.Wood Esq., I.C.S.,

(Designation) Collector

Post Box _____, (Station) Bellary

Telegraphic Address _____



The Secretary to the Board of Revenue,

Madras.

Ref. MLA *No.* 2/35 A1., *dated* 23rd Decr. 1937.

Sir,

Enclosures 1) A topo Sketch 2) Copy of Letter of 17.12.37 of the Agent of K.Y.O. Road.

Spare Copies _____

Mining lease - Red oxide and ochre (Bellary) Bellary taluk - Haraganadona village S.No. 311 - Dasaratha Rama Reddi M.R.Pr. I - application - information furnished.

Ref: Board's Ref. No. 1-2272/37-2 dated 11th October 37

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S.No. 311 of Haraganadona village, which is unassessed waste, is being used for cattle grazing by the villagers of Haraganadona and Janikunta villages. There are also paths and tracts. As long as the grazing privileges of ryots are safeguarded and right of way not obstructed the grant of a lease would not be harmful.

2. The applicant is willing to abide by an additional condition that he should permit free grazing for cattle and cutting of grass in that survey field by the ryots of adjoining villages. He should also allow people to pass over the ground. A copy of his letter dated 17th December 1937 is enclosed.

3. The applicant has no objection to make use of Government Electric power for mining, if necessary, when it becomes available in the vicinity.

4. A topo sketch of the field S.No. 311 of Haraganadon village, is enclosed.

I think that a licence may be granted to ..... these

conditions and with the further condition, that the Collector may judge, whether the terms have been broken, and terminate the lease, if he finds that they have.

25-12-37

For Collector.

Copy of letter dated 17th December 1937 from C. Anjaneyulu Chetty, Power-of-Attorney holder of A. Dasaratharama Reddy, the lessee, to the Collector, Bellary.

It is true that I am occupying 85 acres in S.No.311 o the Maraganadona village under a prospecting license. but subsequently I have applied for a mining lease for 30 years over the whole of the said S.No. 311 which measures 472 and odd acres. The said lease has been granted to me but the lease itself is not yet registered.

2. What is found in the said S.No. 311 is red-oxide of various shades, which are called R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4. These are used in colour and paint industry. All these are not found in the same place but each kind is found in one place. These are found in different parts of the whole of S.No. 311, deposited in mineral veins running in different directions in the said S.No. 311. Sometimes the veins are continuous and at other places they are broken. In the latter case much labour will have to be spent to trace the vein containing the same kind of ore. I hope to discover other ores of different shades in the said S.No. 311 which is possible only after prolonged labour. I will have to spend large sums of money in trials and in sending the samples to scientists. Each of the ores R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4 is not of any use taken singly; it is only a combination of these that forms a nice paint which is used in the market. The mineral found in S.No. 311 aforesaid is rare in India. It is found in this district and in the Alwar State. Hence the industry is in its infant stage. In the course of 7 or 8 years I hope to capture the market and then with increasing demand I will require the whole area of 472 acres in S.No. 311 for my mining operations. There is the competition of foreign paints and this ore was discovered by my agent only 3 years back. With good advertisement and with improvement of the industry with experience I hope to work the whole area of 472 acres, in course of time.

3. Now coming to the question of <u>grass</u>:-

I am ever willing to give free access to all into S.No.311

for the purpose of utilising grass. I have no use for grass; as per the lease granted to me I have no right to anything except the red-oxide and ochre, but I am not mining ochre since it is of no use to me.

I have not at any time prevented any villager from entering on the said field ~~cut~~ cut grass, nor have I prevented any cattle from grazing on the said field. Also there is nothing on the works which is capable of being stolen or damaged, so much so, I have no objection for any one at any part of the day or night coming and going in the said field S.No. 311.

4. For the reasons stated in the above para 3 the question of sub division becomes less important. Since I am prepared to allow all into the said field and since I am not reserving any area for my exclusive occupation, I submit that there is no necessity for sub-division. The villagers and the cattle belonging to them may have the free use of the grass throughout the whole field at all times, except in places where mining operations actuall take place (which are many in number but very small in extent). After all the total area over which the mining operations take place is not more than 7 or 8 acres but these areas are scattered throughout the area of 85 acres since the mineral veins run in all directions. If areas are specified they may become many subdivisions of small areas ranging from 20 to 50 cents. But there is no benefit derived by so subdividing. Some veins run east-west and some north-south and subdivisions may become a nuisance for the cattle which roam freely in the whole area. Moreover the subdivision may confine my operation to a specific area, which prevents me from digging out in other places for other samples of the ore. Experiment is the soul of mining and if this is restricted as would be the case if area is demarcated, I would be put to loss. Also it is not possible to give boundaries of the small plots, in case there is subdivision.

5. Further I took 85 acres for prospecting purposes and have found only four grades of shaded mineral. I learnt that different variety was found in the rest of the area in S.No. 311

(apart from these 85 acres) and so I have applied for 30 years lease over the whole area. Now my constituents are dunning me to send large supplies of this ore, but since the lease is not yet registered I am not able to do so. Unless the ore found in the rest of the area is combined with that found in these 85 acres the paint does not become marketable.

In the light of these facts I pray that subdivision may be dispensed with. This petition may be taken as an undertaking from me to the effect that I will always allow every live being into ~~into~~ the area leased to me in the said S.No. 311 for grazing cattle and cutting grass and for any other purposes which does not prejudice my mining rights. If so desired I will execute a separate agreement to allow all those who have grazing rights and right to cut grass in the field aforesaid. My Agent at the works is very popular in the village and the neighbourhood, and has always co-operated with the villagers in the matter of grass - its cutting and the grazing of cattle.

N.B. I am not enclosing the general power-of-attorney herewith, because there is other evidence of my possessing the said power-of-attorney as can be seen in your memo in M.L.A.2/35 dated 11th November '37 in connection with my C.No. 1174 of 37 dated 8th Nov. '37.

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For Collector.

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SUBJECT :— Mining lease - Red oxide and ochre - (Bellary) - Bellary taluk - Haraganadona Vge - S. No. 311 - Dasaratharama R. M. R. Ry. Y. - Sanctioned.

READ AGAIN _____, dated _____ 19____.

" " _____ " _____ 19____.

READ *ALSO* :—

I No. 2292/37 From the Collr. of Bellary. Rep. C. No. MLA. 2/37 dated 8-2- 1937.
Bds Ref. I. No. 2272/37-1 dt 23-7-37

I " 2516/37 " Collr of Bellary M.L.A. No. 2/35 " 17-9-37 19____.
Bds Ref. I. No. 2272-37.2 dt 11-10-37

I " 26/37 " Collr of Bellary. M.L.A. 2/35 A1 " 23-12-37 19____.

~~Order~~ Resolution Ms. No. 185, dated 20-1-38 19____.

The Board sanctions the grant of a mining lease for red oxide and ochre to M.R.Ry. Y. Dasaratharama Reddi for a period of 30 years over an extent of 472.32 acres in S.No 311 of Haraganadona Vge, Bellary taluk, Bellary dt subject to the following special conditions :—

(i) The lessee shall not obstruct the free grazing of cattle and the cutting of grass in the land by the ryots of adjoining villages.

(ii) The ~~lessee~~ lessee shall not interfere with the paths and tracks passing through the land and shall not obstruct people passing over the ground. ✓

(iii) The lessee shall take ~~G~~ of electric power for the working of the mine or mineral, if necessary, when it becomes available in the vicinity of the lease area; and ✓

(iv) The Coll. may judge whether the terms of the lease have been broken and terminate the lease if he finds that they have been broken ✓

2/ The Coll. is requested to submit the draft lease deed for the approval of the Board

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Mining leases - Red oxide and ochre (Bellary) Bellary taluk - Haraganadona Vge - S. No. 311 - Basarattarama Reddi, M.R.Ry. Y. - Application.

D. 2272/37

As (sett)

Please see the letter from the Colr. of Bellary at pp 1-2 cf. submitting proposals for the grant of a mining lease for red oxide and ochre for a period of 30 years over an extent of 472.32 acres in S. No. 311 of Haraganadona Village, Bellary taluk ~~of~~ to M. R. Ry. Y. Basarattarama Reddi.

2/. The certificate of approval held by M. R. Ry. Y. Basarattarama Reddi was renewed for 1937 in Bp. Rt. No. 2401 dy 21-5-37. The lease applied for may be granted and the Colr. may be instructed to submit the draft lease deed for the Board's approval. The conditions laid down in the 1st proviso to rule 45 and in rule 47 are satisfied in this case.

3/. It may be noted in this connection that in respect of this field the East India Chemia Clay Co. preferred an appeal to the Board against the order of the Colr. refusing to grant a mining lease and that the appeal was rejected in Bp. Rt. No. 2692 dy 7-6-37. The applicant has deposited Rs 500

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as Security and Rs 50/- towards solicitor's fee.

The Collector has recommended that out of the rent subject to the payment of -

(i) Dead rent at a minimum rate of Re 1/- per acre.

(ii) Royalty at 2½% on the value of the ore at the pit's mouth, and

(iii) Surface rent at 4 annas per acre.

Lease rates may be accepted, as under Schedule C at p86 of the mining manual (item (2) - and all minerals not included in (1)) the minimum demanded Re 1/- per acre; the royalty being 2½% on the value at the pit's mouth etc (p85 of the mining manual - 'All other minerals not specified above'), and the surface rent being a minimum of 4 annas per acre. (p81 of the mining manual - Schedule D).

The Security deposit paid by the applicant is Rs 500/- This may be accepted (Vide rule 38 at page 71 of the mining manual).

For orders.

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p2 c/f.

The Coll's recommendation may be accepted & the lease granted to the Co. We have since received a petition from the Coll. Chirala Coy Coy. alleging irregularities in prospecting licences. Before the Collector shall be in a position to dispose of the petition.

R. 20/7.

Received on 21/7/37

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(B.S. Ref. D. 2272/32-1 dt 23-7-32)

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AS(Sec't).

This file deals with the application of Mr. Y. Dasarathrama Reddi for a ~~mining~~ mining lease for red oxide and ochre over 472.32 ~~472.32~~ acres in S. No. 311 of Haragoradona village, Bellary taluk, Bellary district.

2/. All the conditions laid down in the mining rules for the grant of mining leases have been satisfied in the present case ~~case~~ as noted below:—

(a) The applicant holds a valid certificate of approval for (93).

(b) He has deposited Rs. 500/- as security.

(c) A dead rent of one rupee per acre is prop to be levied.

(d) A surface rent at 4 annas per acre proposed is to be levied

(e) The royalty to be charged is at 2½ % on the sale value of the ore at the pit's mouth.

(f) The total area so far held by the applicant under mining concessions does not exceed 10 sq. mile ✓

(g) The length of the field applied for does not exceed four times its breadth.

3/. The East India China clay Co.

also applied for a mining lease over this area and it was rejected by the Co. Mr on the ground that Mr. y. Dasaratharama Reddi had applied for the area. The appeal preferred by the Company against the Colrs order was also dismissed by the Board of Rev. He has put in a petition ⊗ requesting a reconsideration of the orders passed by the Board and it is dealt with in the linked file. The company also put in a petition to the Colr alleging all sorts of irregularities against Mr. y. Dasaratharama Reddi in regard to the mining concessions held by him and the Colr was requested to report whether the lease referred to in this file should be granted or held up pending the disposal of the petition. The Colrs reply is at pp 11-12/c. The Colr states that the allegations of the rival company appear to be quite baseless and that he does not think that the petition deserves any consideration. In the circumstances the lease applied for by Mr. y. Dasaratharama Reddi may be granted and the Colr instructed to send the draft lease deed for the Board's approval. ~~For orders~~. Before 2/2/37 doing so the Collector may be requested 30 to report (1) whether it is necessary to

Vide at A-p 12(c.)

exclude from the area any portion as being required for a public purpose or otherwise and to submit a topographical sketch of the field; (b) whether any special conditions have to be imposed, and (c) whether the applicant agrees to take Government Electric power for the working of the mine, if necessary, when it becomes available in the vicinity. (and whether it is advisable to grant the entire area to one mine)

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for orders.

AS (Sett)

Draft submitted

9-10-37 CD 9/X/37

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[Boards Reg'd. 2272/37-2 dt. 11-10-37]

I. 26/37

AS (Sett)

Please see the office note at pp 2-5 above and the letter from the Collr. of Bellary at pp 15-16 c/f.

In the circumstances reported

for red oxide and ochre for a period of 30 years subject to the following special conditions :-

(i) The lessee ~~should~~ shall not ~~obstruct~~ obstruct the free grazing of cattle and the cutting of grass in the land by the ryots of adjoining villages.

(ii) The lessee ~~should~~ there not interfere with the paths and tracts passing through the land and ~~should~~ there not obstruct people passing over the ground.

(iii) The lessee ~~should~~ take Govt. electric power for the working of the mine or mineral, if necessary, when it becomes available in the vicinity of the lease area; and

(iv) ~~The Collr. proposes a condition stating that the~~ The Collr. may judge whether the terms have been broken and terminate the lease, if he finds that they have.

3/. The Collr. may be requested to submit the draft lease deed for the approval of the Board.

Joint Secy.
17 JAN 1933

AS (Sett)

Draft submitted

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